

VILLAGE OF BIRON
451 KAHOUN ROAD, WISCONSIN RAPIDS, WI 54494
PUBLIC WORKS, SANITATION & WASTEWATER COMMITTEE
MEETING MINUTES

September 17th, 2026 11:00 A.M.

Members Present: Tammy Steward, Chairperson excused, Mike Guillemot and Tim McKellips, Committee Members. Others Present: Kayla Lumaye, Public Works Director; Samanatha Daugherty, Village Clerk; and Tim Hale, Village Resident

1. Committee member Mike Guillemot called the meeting to order at 11:05 a.m.

2. Discuss updates on Shore Acres Drive storm sewer rehabilitation

Kayla reported that Steve's Plumbing was on site yesterday to remove a root ball, clean the lines, and televise the 12-inch and 4-inch pipes. Steve's Plumbing reported that there was a significant amount of sediment buildup in the 12-inch pipe, as well as a large rock that prevented them from fully cleaning and televising the pipe. They were, however, able to zoom the camera beyond the point where they were stopped and obtain a visual of the pipe from that location to the opposite side. Steve's also reported that there was significant scaling in the 4-inch pipe, which is restricting flow. They discussed possible options for restoring the pipe, including a trenchless system. Steve's plans to have a follow-up conversation with Kayla to discuss what they observed, their recommendations, and potential next steps. Kayla will then bring that information to MSA for their review and opinion. Tim was on site while the work was being completed and provided additional information. He stated that there was a second root ball located beyond the larger root ball and that it took approximately an hour and a half to remove both root balls. Tim also reported that there are two holes in the 12-inch pipe near the foundation of his house. He believes these may have been created by a previous owner when connecting a drainage system from the house to the pipe. Tim also expressed concern about possible active erosion in his neighbor's yard that he believes may be related to the 4-inch pipe. He is concerned about the overall condition of the 12-inch pipe, particularly the numerous offset joints. He stated that the offset joints prevent the pipe from maintaining a proper seal, and he does not think slurry filling would be a viable option because the material could pass through the offset joints. Tim also noted that the manhole located in Brad's yard is full of dirt, halfway up the 12-inch pipe. He believes this buildup is restricting flow from the 12-inch pipe into the 4-inch pipe.

3. Discussion on rate case study

Kayla reported that she and the Village's consultant have been communicating the Village's concerns to the City of Wisconsin Rapids' consultants. The Village's most recent response was sent to Wisconsin Rapids last Friday.

4. Discussion on 2027 budget

Kayla discussed how the committee would like to proceed with employee wages and asked whether they wanted to wait until after the Personnel Committee meeting. The committee agreed to wait until after the Personnel Committee meeting. Kayla also asked how the committee would like to proceed with water expenses, as the new water rate has not yet been

determined. The committee agreed to wait until the new rate is known before finalizing the water expense amounts. Kayla also reported that new line items were created within the Public Property budget for park electricity expenses. This will move the park electricity costs out of the Public Works All Street Light Usage line item, reducing the amount budgeted under Public Works.

5. Superintendent's report

Kayla reported that the Village experienced an issue over the weekend with a leaking air release valve. Sanitary sewer was spraying from the top of the air release valve. The valve is still leaking, but the leak has since slowed to a steady, slow leak. Kayla is working to identify a company experienced in servicing these types of valves that can safely remove the valve from operation using the proper confined-space entry equipment. Kayla also asked the committee members if they recalled whether 80th Street North had ever been striped previously, as she was looking into having Adams County complete the striping. Adams County provided a quote of \$900 to paint two solid yellow centerlines and two white shoulder lines. After discussion, the committee agreed to have 80th Street North striped for safety purposes.

6. Referrals for next meeting

Updates on Shore Acres Drive storm sewer project and 2027 budget.

7. Set next meeting date and time -

Next meeting is set for October 13th at 11:00 AM.

Motion to Adjourn: Tim McKellips, second by Mike Guillemot

Time: 12:00 p.m.

Minutes Respectfully Submitted by: Kayla Lumaye, Public Works Director